

# MIAMIBEACH BRIEFS

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## Communications Corner

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### Wasteful Weekends

On the first weekend of every month, dumpsters are placed at 6 ST Community Center & 75 ST & Dickens AV from 8 am Saturday to 8 pm Sunday to accept bulk trash from residents.

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## Return on Your Investment: Miami Beach Homeowner's Dividend Fund

Over the past few years, the City of Miami Beach has experienced a period of unprecedented success. Our community has become the economic engine for the entire region as a highly desirable place to live, work and play, and as a major destination for visitors from across the globe. Success and progress are evident from South Pointe to North Beach, in City-funded improvement initiatives and private enterprise projects.

In an effort to share the fruits of the City's economic success with residents, the Miami Beach Homeowner's Dividend Fund was created for Miami Beach homesteaded residents. Checks in the amount of \$200 are in the mail.

"Consider this a return on your investment and one more example of why Miami Beach is a great place

to live, work and play," said Miami Beach Mayor David Dermer. "It is rare that government has an opportunity to give money back to the people, and on behalf of my colleagues on the City Commission and the City Administration, we feel truly privileged to be doing just that."

The City's community satisfaction survey, conducted last year, indicated the 84 percent of respondents think the City of Miami Beach is an excellent or good place to live. Over the last year, the City expanded City services including police presence in neighborhoods, increased service levels for cleaning the City's streets and sidewalks, particularly in the business areas, increased programming and free offerings in the parks – all while providing a reduction of 0.1 in the millage rate bringing the overall millage rate down by more than half a mill since 2000.

## Hurricane Information/Preparation Fairs



You are encouraged to attend and learn firsthand how to best prepare for this year's storm season. City departments and other public and private organizations will be providing valuable information that could save your home and your life.

Sunday, May 7, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.,  
Lincoln Road, 1000 Block

Saturday, May 13, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon,  
Normandy Fountain

Saturday, May 20, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon  
South Pointe Police Satellite Station, 210 2nd Street

Free water bottles to the first 500 attendees. For further information please call the Answer Center, 305.604.CITY(2489).

## Miami Beach Registered Voters Receive Discounts



at many Miami Beach businesses. Show your voter's registration card at participating businesses. Voter registration drives are held monthly on the first Saturdays at the following locations: Big Pink, Books and Books, and Normandy Fountain from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and Lincoln Road (Euclid Oval) and Regal Theaters from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. For more information, go to [votemiamibeach.com](http://votemiamibeach.com).

## FDOT Takes Down 63rd Street Flyover

May 17 is D-day for the 63rd flyover. After years of discussion and debate, the Florida Department of Transportation moves forward with two related projects at the intersection of 63rd Street and Indian Creek Drive: the 63rd Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project and the Indian Creek Drive Reconstruction Project. According to FDOT, the projects are expected to be completed in approximately 13 months. A Citizen's Advisory Committee composed of Miami Beach residents is working with them to address construction related issues. FDOT assures the City that one lane in each direction will be open at all times on the bridge. For concerns and questions, call 305.333.3347.

## Watch CityVision on MBTV-77 Daily at 8:00 a.m. & 8:00 p.m.

CityVision is the City's monthly news magazine television show that covers topics such as public safety, major events, recreational activities, government services and more.



## April/May edition of MB Now Available

Find out when is the best time to prepare for a hurricane; learn about a major road project that will affect traffic; and soon get unplugged to the latest technology.

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

### Answer Center

305.604.CITY (2489)

### Mayor & Commission

305.673.7030

### City Manager

305.673.7010

### Police (non-emergency)

305.673.7900

### Fire (non-emergency)

305.673.7120

### Parks & Recreation

305.673.7730

### Parking

305.673.PARK

### Neighborhood Services

305.673.7077

### Job Hotline

305.673.7777

### Tourism Hotline

305.673.7400

### City Clerk

305.673.7411

### Sanitation/ Garbage

305.673.7616

### Bulky Waste Pick-Up

305.471.4444

### Water & Sewer (24-hours)

305.673.7625

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We are committed to providing excellent public service and safety to all who live, work, and play in our vibrant, tropical, historic community.